

I-5 – South King County Projects Update

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Federal Way I-5 Night Lane Closures

Northbound I-5, Monday through Thursday nights (April 25-28)

- Three lanes will be closed from **Porter Way to Highway 161**. The first lane closes at 7 p.m., the second at 10 p.m., and the third at 11 p.m.
- Three lanes will be closed from **S. 320th Street to Military Road**. The first lane closes at 6 p.m., the second at 7 p.m. and the third at 11 p.m.
- All northbound lanes will reopen by 5 a.m. each following morning.

Southbound I-5, Monday through Thursday nights (April 25-28)

- Three lanes will be closed from **Military Road to Porter Way**. The first lane closes at 7 p.m., the second at 9 p.m. and the third at 11 p.m.
- All southbound lanes from **Military Road to S. 320th Street** will reopen by 5 a.m. each following morning.
- From **S. 320th Street to Porter Way**, one southbound lane will reopen by 5 a.m., the second by 6 a.m., and the third by 10 a.m. each following morning.

Federal Way I-5 Weekend Pavement Replacement

This weekend (**Friday, April 29 – Monday, May 2**), we are planning to close two to three lanes of **southbound I-5** from **S. 336th Street (just north of Highway 18) to the Pierce County Line**. Two lanes will be closed around the clock Friday night to Monday morning, and we'll close a third lane each night.

- The first southbound I-5 lane will close at 9 p.m. Friday, April 29.
- A second southbound I-5 lane will close at 11 p.m. Friday.
 - These two southbound I-5 lanes will remain closed until 5 a.m. Monday, May 2.
- A third southbound I-5 lane will close:
 - 11 p.m. Friday to 6 a.m. Saturday, and
 - 11 p.m. Saturday to 6 a.m. Sunday
- All southbound I-5 lanes will reopen by 5 a.m. Monday, May 2.

This closure is required for crews to replace 52 badly damaged concrete panels in the safest and most efficient manner possible. For more information, please visit the [I-5 HOV Widening Web site](#).

Simultaneous southbound I-5 closures will occur in Seattle (see below).

Seattle I-5 Weekend Pavement Replacement

Crews successfully completed the first weekend of pavement replacement work on southbound I-5 in downtown Seattle, reopening all lanes and ramps to traffic by 5 a.m. Monday morning. More closures are scheduled for this coming weekend, April 29-May 2.

For the latest information on these closures, weather delays or other late-breaking news, please visit the [James to Olive paving project Web site](#). There you can also sign up for e-mail updates specific to I-5 in Seattle.

Highway Advisory Radio Survey

You're invited to take part in a short survey about our highway advisory radio project updates, which we broadcast on AM 1520 on I-5 in Federal Way. You can view an [archive of past scripts](#) on our Web site.

Please send your answers to JohnsoL@wsdot.wa.gov. We look forward to your responses!

1. How often do you drive on I-5 through Federal Way?
2. How often have you listened to any highway advisory radio (HAR) anywhere in Washington?
3. How often have you listened to our HAR in Federal Way since we started broadcasting in September 2004?
4. What do you like best about the I-5 South King County HAR messages?
5. What do you like least about the I-5 South King County HAR messages?

Construction Update: I-5 - S. 317th HOV Direct Access

We shifted traffic on the southbound I-5 exit to S. 320th to the right last Thursday night, April 21. Ramp users are now driving on the new pavement next to the recently completed retaining walls on the west side of the freeway. Next, crews will rebuild the rest of the southbound I-5 lanes. We expect to shift traffic off the temporary roadway and onto the rebuilt southbound I-5 lanes in May or June.

Crews are still doing pavement improvements on northbound and southbound I-5 between Military Road and S. 320th. We're also still building the additional width on the northbound I-5 bridge over Military Road, as well as the S. 317th direct access bridge.

We've posted [new construction photos](#), including some aerial photos of the project area, on our Web site.

Construction Update: I-5 HOV Widening

On I-5 south of S. 320th, crews continued pavement grinding, removing raised pavement markings, and placing temporary striping. All of this is in preparation to widen the freeway to add HOV lanes in both directions.

Crews also began clearing for a third new detention pond, this one on the west side of I-5 at S. 360th. Visit the [I-5 HOV Pierce to Tukwila Stage 4 Web site](#) for more information on this project.

Highway 18 Truck Climbing Lane Project

Just east of I-5 in south King County, we're adding a lane on westbound (uphill) Highway 18 between Highway 167 and Weyerhauser Way for trucks to use as a climbing lane. This will allow faster moving traffic to pass large commercial vehicles and reduce traffic congestion.

We recently finished widening Highway 18 at the west (Federal Way) end of the project. Now we're widening the Peasley Canyon Bridge, and building walls and placing fill material for widening on the east (Auburn) end of the project.

We expect to complete the project this July. For more information, please visit the [Highway 18 Truck Climbing Lane Project Web site](#).

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